

ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME OPERATION Paper Street Trading

Executive Summary CASE-ORC-1021 – Cincinnati, OH



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On Thursday, February 29th, 2024, investigators from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office and the U.S Postal Inspectors <u>executed a search warrant</u> on Paper Street Trading in Cincinnati, Ohio. ORC Teams from multiple retailers supported the operation after receiving information that a local business was fencing of High-Risk Products through online marketplaces, specifically eBay. During the execution of the Search Warrant, the owner of the Fence and an employee were arrested and charged with Criminal Enterprise, Retail Theft and financial crimes. In late March 2024, additional professional thieves were arrested, and the case is fully in the prosecutorial portion of the investigation.

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office recovered over \$150,000 in stolen merchandise from the business. Over 20 boosters were arrested during the investigation and provided intel on the operation and items being purchased. A forensic financial analysis revealed PSTC had \$2,141,088.07 in sales, \$400k in purchases, and profited \$1.5 million since the investigation began.









